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For: FUEL CELL WITHOUT Z-LIKE  
CONNECTION PLATES AND THE  
METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME

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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (SIDS)**

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97, Applicants hereby make of record the following additional documents. A PTO Form SB/08 and a full copy of each of the documents required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) accompany this statement.

Applicants have become aware of the following documents, cited in two Japanese Office Actions issued November 27, 2007, during the prosecution of Application Nos. 2003-061976 and 2003-062009, which corresponds to the above referenced application, and in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c) and (e)(1) or (b)(3), hereby submit these documents for the Examiner's consideration. These documents are cited on the enclosed PTO Form SB/08, and a copy of the Japanese Office Actions and of each document required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) cited thereon are enclosed as well.

Applicants have not submitted copies of each cited U.S. patent in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(ii). Applicants submit herewith copies of foreign patents and non-patent references in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2).

Please note that Applicants' attorney does not include in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement reference JP 2003-197225 cited in the corresponding Office Action (Application No. 2003-061976). These references were previously cited in an Office Action in the present case on May 17, 2006.

This statement is not to be interpreted as a representation that the cited documents are material, that an exhaustive search has been conducted, or that no other relevant information exists. Nor shall the citation of any document herein be construed *per se* as a representation that such document is prior art. Moreover, Applicants understand the Examiner will make an independent evaluation of the cited documents.

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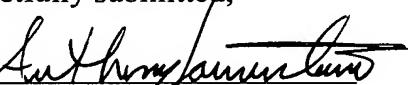
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The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 12-0080, under Order No. TOW-066RCE.

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